## **OPRE Grant Announcements**

The Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (OPRE), within the Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, has recently published two discretionary research funding announcements titled "Child Care Administrative Data Analysis Grants" and "Research Connections" which are summarized below.

If you have questions regarding either or both grant announcements, please email the OPRE grant review team at <a href="mailto:cCDataAnalysis@icfi.com">CCDataAnalysis@icfi.com</a> or call 1-877-350-5913.

## **Grant Opportunity 1: Child Care Administrative Data Analysis Grants**

The full announcement for "Child Care Administrative Data Analysis" is available online at: <a href="http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2013-ACF-OPRE-YE-0604">http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2013-ACF-OPRE-YE-0604</a>. OPRE intends to award up to 10 cooperative agreements to support rigorous, policy-relevant research that primarily involves the analysis of child care administrative data. Research projects must be led by State/Territory/Tribal Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Lead Agencies, which may partner with other local or state agencies that administer CCDF programs on their behalf, as well as with institutions of higher education or research organizations, especially if the eligible agency does not have the in-house capacity to conduct research. Applicants may apply for project periods up to 36 months with three 12-month budget periods. Up to \$100,000 may be awarded for each budget period. Letters of intent are due June 10, 2013, and applications are due June 24, 2013.

## **Grant Opportunity 2: Research Connections Grant**

The full announcement for "Research Connections" is available online at: <a href="http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2013-ACF-OPRE-YE-0601">http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2013-ACF-OPRE-YE-0601</a>. OPRE intends to award a cooperative agreement to operate the Child Care and Early Education Research Connections ("Research Connections") website (<a href="http://www.researchconnections.org">http://www.researchconnections.org</a>). Research Connections houses an increasingly comprehensive collection of research reports, syntheses, and other critical information related to child care, Head Start, and early education, with a particular focus on children in low-income families. Further, Research Connections provides researchers and policymakers access to and technical assistance with comprehensive collections of data from major child care, Head Start, and early education research and evaluation studies; fosters collaboration and outreach that can strengthen dissemination and research use by research and policymaker communities; and supports the Child Care Policy Research Consortium. Eligible applicants include institutions of higher education, non-profit organizations, and for-profit organizations. Applicants may apply for project periods up to 60 months with five 12-month budget periods. Up to \$1,500,000 may be awarded for each budget period. Letters of intent are due June 9, 2013, and applications are due June 24, 2013.